



## City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

### Juneteenth Holiday Closures

**GAITHERSBURG, Md. (June 13, 2023)** In observance of Juneteenth, City offices and most facilities will be closed on Monday, June 19, 2023, with the exception of the following:

- The [Miniature Golf Course](#) will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- The [Water Park](#) will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. for City of Gaithersburg Residents and Aquatics Members ONLY.
- The [Gaithersburg Aquatic Center](#) will be open from 5:15 to 8:30 p.m.
- Gaithersburg Police Department Administrative Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Please note, the [Mayor and City Council Meeting](#) will take place on Tuesday, June 20.

### Recycling and Bulk Pick Up

Recycling will be collected as scheduled. [On-demand bulk pick up](#) for residents whose regular recycling day is Monday, June 19 will be unavailable. Appointments can be made for the following week using the [online form](#), by e-mailing [BulkPickUp@gaitHERsburgmd.gov](mailto:BulkPickUp@gaitHERsburgmd.gov), or by calling 301-258-6370. Download the [Recycle Coach app](#) for additional recycling tips, notifications and collection reminders.

Regular trash and garbage collection for City residents is handled by private contractors. Please contact your HOA or your private contractor regarding the holiday collection schedule for these materials.

For more information on recycling and bulk pick up please contact the City's Department of Public Works at 301-258-6370, or visit the City's website [www.gaitHERsburgmd.gov](http://www.gaitHERsburgmd.gov).

### Juneteenth Proclamation and Lecture

At the June 5 Mayor and City Council meeting, Mayor Jud Ashman issued an official proclamation designating June 19, 2023, as Juneteenth in Gaithersburg, acknowledging the historical significance of the day and recommitting the City to working toward the dismantling of institutionalized racism. View the presentation [here](#).

The [Benjamin Gaither Center](#) presents a free lecture, "The Story of Josiah Henson and Edmonson Sisters," on Friday, June 23 at 11 a.m. Learn the life story of Josiah Henson, a former slave from

Rockville, MD, and the remarkable history of the Edmonson sisters, former slaves from Gaithersburg, MD. Rev. Cynthia Epps unpacks the real man behind the fictional character and the heroic journey of two sisters' escape to freedom.

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